Federal Communications Commission 445 12th Street, S.W. Washington, D. C. 20554

News Media Information 202 / 418-0500 Internet: http://www.fcc.gov TTY: 1-888-835-5322

This is an unofficial announcement of Commission action. Release of the full text of a Commission order constitutes official action. See MCI v. FCC. 515 F 2d 385 (D.C. Circ 1974).

FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE:

August 3, 2012

NEWS MEDIA CONTACT:

Neil Grace: (202) 418-0506 Email: neil.grace@fcc.gov

STATEMENT FROM FCC CHAIRMAN JULIUS GENACHOWSKI ON THE U.S. SUBMISSION OF INITIAL INPUT INTO THE INTERNATIONAL TELECOMMUNICATION UNION'S WORLD CONFERENCE ON INTERNATIONAL TELECOMMUNICATIONS

"Today, the United States submitted its initial input to the International Telecommunication Union's World Conference on International Telecommunications, or WCIT, which will be held in December in Dubai. I am proud to support the vision for the future put forth by the United States in its filing today, a vision which embraces competition, market-based policies, and the current multi-stakeholder model of Internet governance.

"Since the beginning of my Chairmanship, I have fought for Internet freedom. The proposals by some countries to restrict the free flow of information online would threaten one of the most powerful engines for global economic growth and the spread of democracy in the 21st century. As today's U.S. contribution makes clear, the WCIT must embrace the successes of the last two decades of liberalization in telecommunications regulation and the existing multi-stakeholder model of Internet governance to ensure continued investment and growth of the Internet around the globe."

-FCC-

News and other information about the FCC is available at www.fcc.gov